

REMARKS

Claims 18-26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,139,397 (hereinafter referred to as "Tucker") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,700,245 (hereinafter referred to as "Sancoff").

Claims 18-26 are cancelled without prejudice. Accordingly, the rejection of these claims is not addressed herein.

The remaining pending claims (claims 49 and 52-54) are allowed. *See* Office Action, page 4.

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and requests the Examiner to pass the application to issue.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3906 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Applicant does not believe that an extension of time is necessary. However, if any extension of time is necessary, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension of time and authorizes the Office to charge Deposit Account No. 50-3906 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw for the appropriate extension of time fee.

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